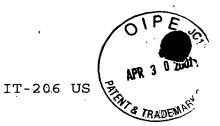
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<u>PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT</u>

Hon. Commissioner of Patents, Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminary to examination kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Translated Specification:

Page 1, top, delete "Description"

between lines 6 and 8, insert

-- Background of the Invention:

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